

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Sandra D. Anderson )  
Serial No.: 08/696,987 )  
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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE )  
PROVOCATION OF AIR PASSAGE )  
NARROWING AND/OR THE )  
INDUCTION OF SPUTUM )

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action faxed on March 10, 1998.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 12 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended). A method for attempting to provoke airway narrowing in a subject comprising the steps of (a) causing the subject to inhale into subject's airways an effective amount of a substance capable of [altering] increasing the osmolarity of airway surface liquid in the subject, which substance is in the form of a dry dispersable powder, other than a dry powder dissolved in a liquid, containing an effective proportion of particles of a respirable size, and (b) measuring in the subject a parameter indicative of the resistance to air flow of the subject's airway.